

Date: August 1, 2007
To: All Michigan Counties
From: Harriet Miller-Brown, State 9-1-1 Office
Re: Initial Local 9-1-1 Surcharges for 2008

Senate Bill 410 of 2007 requires:

SEC. 401E. (1) NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 15, 2007, EACH COUNTY THAT DECIDES TO ASSESS A SURCHARGE UNDER SECTION 401B SHALL WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE STATE 9-1-1 OFFICE SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

A) THE INITIAL COUNTY 9-1-1 SURCHARGE FOR EACH 9-1-1 SERVICE DISTRICT TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008.

B) THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF REVENUE TO BE GENERATED IN EACH 9-1-1 SERVICE DISTRICT FOR 2007.

(C) BASED ON THE SURCHARGE ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF REVENUE TO BE GENERATED FOR 2008.

2) IF THE AMOUNT TO BE GENERATED IN 2008 EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT RECEIVED IN 2007 PLUS AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED 2.7% OF THE 2007 REVENUES, THE COMMISSION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMITTEE, SHALL REVIEW AND APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE THE COUNTY 9-1-1 SURCHARGE ADOPTED UNDER SECTION 401B. IF THE COMMISSION DOES NOT ACT BY OCTOBER 15, 2007, THE COUNTY 9-1-1 SURCHARGE SHALL BE DEEMED APPROVED. IF THE SURCHARGE IS REJECTED, IT SHALL BE ADJUSTED TO ENSURE THAT THE REVENUES GENERATED DO NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNTS ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. IN REVIEWING THE SURCHARGE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIDER THE COUNTY'S HISTORICAL EXPENDITURES AND DOCUMENTED NEEDS AS THEY RELATE TO THE ALLOWABLE AND DISALLOWABLE COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON JUNE 21, 2005 .

As a result, the State 9-1-1 Office has worked with staff at the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) to prepare the Initial Surcharge Application process for counties to submit their initial surcharges to the MPSC for approval. Instructions and the necessary forms follow.